

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA**

October 3, 1988

HRA: Children's Network  
Children's Policy Council

FROM: **JAMES FARE, Administrator**  
**HUMAN RESOURCES AGENCY**

SUBJECT: **RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING CHILDREN'S NETWORK (DPSS/CHILDREN'S NETWORK)**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt resolution formally establishing County of San Bernardino Children's Network and specifying powers and duties of the Children's Policy Council.

**BACKGROUND:**

On December 9, 1985, the Board of Supervisors approved the concept of a Children's Network designed to coordinate and enhance services to children in San Bernardino County. Since then, the concept has been placed into operation and has proven successful in enhancing communication among and between County agencies providing services to children, outside organizations providing such services, and the general public.

This action would formally establish the Children's Network as part of the County's organizational structure and provide the Children's Policy Council, the Network's directing board, with specific powers and duties. The powers and duties focus on identifying gaps and overlaps in services to children provided through County agencies, so that more effective service delivery systems can be developed. The Policy Council will also be empowered to make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors regarding funding priorities for child abuse prevention programs and other grant-funded projects. In addition, the resolution clarifies staffing and funding issues associated with the Children's Network.

**REVIEW BY OTHER DEPARTMENTS:**

This action has been reviewed by the Children's Network Executive Committee and the County Administrative Office. The resolution has been reviewed and approved as to legal form by County Counsel (Deputy Suzanna S. Cuneo).

**FINANCIAL DATA:**

There are no additional financial impacts associated with adoption of this resolution. Costs of the Children's Network Officer and support staff have been included in the FY 1988-89 DPSS Administration Budget.

**PRESENTER: James Fare, Administrator, Human Resources Agency**

RESOLUTION NO. 88-352

cc w/Res.:

HRA  
Children's Network  
CAO  
Auditor  
Supv. Hammock  
Juv. Court-P. Morris  
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Action of the Board of Supervisors

**APPROVED** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

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MARTHA M. SCUDDER, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY \_\_\_\_\_

DATED: OCT 03 1988

OCTOBER 3, 1988

**RESOLUTION NO. 88-352 CREATING COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO  
CHILDREN'S NETWORK**

On Motion of Supervisor Hammock, duly seconded by Supervisor Riordan, the following Resolution is adopted:

**WHEREAS, the County of San Bernardino Board of Supervisors, on December 9, 1985, approved the concept of a County Children's Network to coordinate and enhance services to children in San Bernardino County, and**

**WHEREAS, the County Children's Network concept, since its approval by the Board, has proven effective in improving communication between County departments offering services to children and in overseeing programs designed for children, and**

**WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors desires to now formally establish the Children's Network as part of the County's organizational structure and stipulate its powers and responsibilities,**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors hereby creates the County of San Bernardino Children's Network in accord with the following provisions.**

**SECTION 1: PURPOSE. The purpose of the Children's Network is to provide comprehensive community services to children and youth by improving coordination, planning, communications and cooperation among youth-serving agencies; identifying gaps and overlaps in services; providing a forum for clarifying perceptions and expectations among and between County agencies and the community; setting priorities for interagency projects; implementing collaborative programs, public and private, to better serve children and youth and attracting resources from both the public and private sectors to meet children's needs.**

**SECTION 2: ORGANIZATION. The Children's Network shall be comprised of the following organizational components:**

- (a) Children's Policy Council
- (b) Children's Services Team
- (c) Children's Lobby
- (d) Children's Advocate Council
- (e) First Fund of Children's Resources
- (f) Children's Task Forces
- (g) At-large Membership

**With the exception of the First Fund of Children's Resources the Children's Policy Council shall determine the purpose and goals for each component, as well as the meeting and membership requirements for each.**

**SECTION 3: DIRECTING BOARD.** The Children's Policy Council shall serve as the Directing Board of the Children's Network

- (a) **Membership.** The Children's Policy Council will be composed of the department heads of the following County agencies either providing services to children or administering such programs.

- (1) Board of Supervisors
- (2) Community Services Department
- (3) County Administrative Officer
- (4) County Counsel
- (5) District Attorney
- (6) Human Resources Agency/DPSS
- (7) Library
- (8) Mental Health Department
- (9) Preschool Services Department
- (10) Probation Department
- (11) Public Defender
- (12) Public Health Department
- (13) Sheriff
- (14) Superintendent of County Schools
- (15) Presiding Judge, Juvenile Court

- (b) **Powers and Duties.** The Children's Policy Council is authorized the following powers and duties:

- (1) Plan and direct activities of the Children's Network and communicate plans and activities with the Network's organizational components, the Board of Supervisors and the general public.
- (2) Provide administrative direction to the Children's Network Officer regarding goals and objectives of the Network and specific tasks to be accomplished.
- (3) Establish meeting requirements and rules for conducting the Network's business.
- (4) Identify areas of service which would benefit from collaborative programming and formulate plans to implement such projects.
- (5) Prioritize, commit and direct resources for interagency projects and programs.
- (6) Develop an annual master plan for children's services and update it throughout the year.
- (7) Identify critical children's issues within the County and appoint Children's Task Forces or committees to study and recommend solutions.
- (8) Receive and act upon recommendations from the Network's various organizational components.
- (9) Review funding recommendations regarding child abuse neglect and prevention programs authorized by AB 1733 (Welfare and Institutions Code Sections 18962 et.seq.) and AB 2994 (Welfare and Institutions Code

- Sections 18965 et seq.), and make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors as may be appropriate.
- (10) Develop department protocols for all professionals involved in delivering children's services.
  - (11) Recommend grant applications and projects that will benefit children to the Board of Supervisors for approval.
  - (12) Recommend to the Board of Supervisors positions on legislation affecting children's issues.

- (c) Executive Committee. A three-member Executive Committee will be elected by the Policy Council. The Executive Committee members shall serve as Chairperson, First Vice-Chairperson and Second Vice-Chairperson of the Policy Council. The primary responsibility of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson, acting individually, will be to preside over all Policy Council meetings and facilitate meeting discussion. The primary responsibility of the Executive Committee will be to select and generally supervise the Children's Network Officer.

The Executive Committee may meet as necessary to review specific activities of or issues involving the Policy Council.

SECTION 4: STAFFING. The activities of the Children's Network will be administered by the Children's Network Officer and a small support staff. The Children's Network Officer shall be selected by the Children's Policy Council Executive Committee and Human Resources Agency Administrator. For employment purposes the HRA Administrator shall be deemed the appointing authority for the position. The Children's Network Officer will receive administrative direction and general supervision from the Children's Policy Council Executive Committee.

SECTION 5: FUNDING. Funding for staff and Network activities will be provided through a combination of County departmental budgets, grant funds, or outside revenue sources.

SECTION 6: EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT. Non-County employees participating in various organizational components of the Children's Network shall receive no County expense reimbursement except as may be authorized by the Board of Supervisors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino, State of California, by the following vote:

AYES: SUPERVISORS: Mikels, Riordan, Walker, Hammock, Joyner

NOES: SUPERVISORS: None

ABSENT: SUPERVISORS: None

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

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I, MARTHA M. SCUDDER, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino, State of California, hereby certify the foregoing to be a full, true and correct copy of the record of the action taken by said Board of Supervisors, by vote of the members present, as the same appears in the Official Minutes of said Board at its meeting of October 3, 1988.

MARTHA M. SCUDDER  
Clerk of the Board

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA  
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

**May 19, 1998**

**FROM: KENT PAXTON**  
Children's Network Officer

**SUBJECT:** Resolution Superseding Resolution No. 92-270 Adopted by the Board of Supervisors on November 30, 1992, Restructuring the Membership and Powers and Duties of the County of San Bernardino Children's Policy Council.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt Resolution No. 98-96 to supersede Resolution No. 92-270 to add the Departments of Children's Services and Transitional Assistance and delete the Commission on the Status of Women, and update the powers and duties of the Children's Policy Council.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** On October 8, 1988, the Board of Supervisors approved a resolution establishing the Children's Network and specifying the powers and duties of the Children's Policy Council. On April 23, 1990, the Board approved a resolution restructuring the Children's Network Policy Council to meet the statutory requirements of Welfare and Institutions Code section 18986 et seq., which authorizes the designation of an interagency children's services coordinating body in the County. As part of the 1992 state legislative process, AB 3805 (Chapter 522; amending Welfare and Institutions Code section 18986.11) passed and added a representative from a community-based organization.

On November 9, 1992, the Children's Policy Council voted to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that Inland Counties Regional Center, Inc. be added as a member to this County's Children's Policy Council to satisfy this statutory amendment.

The resolution being recommended updates and modified the membership of the Children's Policy Council.

**REVIEW BY OTHERS:** This action has been approved by the Children's Policy Council, reviewed by the County Administrative Officer, and approved as to legal form by Chief Deputy County Council Ruth Stringer.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** None

**SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S):** All

**PRESENTER:** Kent Paxton, Children's Network Officer

cc w/resolution:  
Children's Network  
Dept of Children's Services  
Transitional Assistance  
Commission on the Status of  
Women c/o Children's  
Network  
Children's Policy Council  
c/o Children's Network  
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Record of Action of the Board of Supervisors  
RESOLUTION NO. 98-96  
**APPROVED BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO  
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EARLENE SPROAG, CLERK OF THE BOARD  
BY \_\_\_\_\_  
DATED: May 19, 1998

RESOLUTION NO. 98-96

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF  
SAN BERNARDINO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, SUPERSEDING  
RESOLUTION NO. 92-270, RESTRUCTURING COUNTY OF SAN  
BERNARDINO CHILDREN'S POLICY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the County of San Bernardino Board of Supervisors, on December 9, 1985, approved the concept of a County's Children's Network to coordinate and enhance services to children in San Bernardino County, and

WHEREAS, the County of San Bernardino Board of Supervisors, on October 3, 1988, adopted Resolution No. 88-352 formally establishing the County of San Bernardino Children's Network and specifying the powers and duties of the Children's Network Policy Council, and

WHEREAS, the County of San Bernardino Board of Supervisors, on 04-23-90 and 04-13-92, adopted Resolutions No. 90-178 and 92-85, respectively, modifying the structure of the County of San Bernardino Children's Network to meet the requirements of Welfare and Institutions Code Section 18986 et seq, and adopted Resolution No. 92-270 on 11/30/92 to add Inland Counties Regional Center, Inc., as a member of the County of San Bernardino Children's Network Policy Council, and

WHEREAS, the Children's Policy Council has recommended organizational changes to the County of San Bernardino Children's Network to reflect current operations and to continue to improve communication between public and private agencies offering services to children in this County.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors hereby approves the following Resolution making the organizational changes to the County of San Bernardino Children's Network as recommended by its Policy Council to continue

1 to improve communications and services with respect to children in this County, and  
2 this Resolution supersedes Resolution No. 92-270.

3       SECTION 1. Purpose - The purpose of the Children's Network is to provide  
4 comprehensive community services to children and youth by improving coordination,  
5 planning, communications and cooperation among youth-service agencies; identifying  
6 gaps and overlaps in services; providing a forum for clarifying perceptions and  
7 expectations among and between County agencies and community; setting priorities for  
8 interagency projects; implementing collaborative programs, public and private, to better  
9 serve children and youth and attracting resources from both the public and private  
10 sectors to meet children's needs.

11       SECTION 2. Organization - The Children's Network shall be comprised of  
12 the following organizational components:  
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- 14               (a) Children's Policy Council
- 15               (b) Children's Services Team
- 16               (c) Children's Lobby
- 17               (d) Children's Advocate Linkage
- 18               (e) Children's Fund, Inc.
- 19               (f) Child Care Planning Council
- 20               (g) Family Preservation and Support Planning Council

21       With the exception of the Children's Fund, Inc., the Children's Policy Council  
22 shall determine the purpose of goals for each component, as well as the meeting and  
23 membership requirements for each.

24       SECTION 3. Directing Board - The Children's Network Policy Council shall  
25 serve as the Directing Board of the Children's Network.  
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1 A. Membership - The Children's Network Policy Council will be composed of  
2 the department heads of the following County agencies either providing services to  
3 children or administering such programs as well as representatives from outside the  
4 County government structure as follows:

- 5 (1) A member of the Board of Supervisors
- 6 (2) Community Services Department
- 7 (3) County Administrative Officer
- 8 (4) County Counsel
- 9 (5) District Attorney
- 10 (6) Department of Children's Services
- 11 (7) Library
- 12 (8) Behavioral Health Department
- 13 (9) Preschool Services Department
- 14 (10) Probation Department
- 15 (11) Public Defender
- 16 (12) Public Health Department
- 17 (13) Sheriff
- 18 (14) Superintendent of County Schools
- 19 (15) Presiding Judge, Juvenile Court
- 20 (16) One Superintendent of a Unified School District within the County  
21 selected by the Executive Committee of the Children's Network  
22 Policy Council
- 23 (17) Children's Fund, Inc.
- 24 (18) Economic and Community Development
- 25 (19) Designee from the Local Planning Agency for the California Early  
26 Intervention Program
- 27 (20) County Medical Center

1 (21) Transitional Assistance Department

2 (22) Inland Counties Regional Center, Inc.

3 B. Powers and Duties - The Children's Network Policy Council is

4 authorized the following powers and duties:

5 1. Meet monthly and be convened by the Chairperson or First Vice-  
6 Chairperson who shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors for annual terms  
7 beginning January 1 of each year.

8 2. Plan and direct activities of the Children's Network and communicate  
9 plans and activities of the Network's organizational components, the Board of  
10 Supervisors and the general public.

11 3. Provide administrative direction to the Children's Network Officer  
12 regarding goals and objectives of the Network and specific tasks to be accomplished.

13 4. Establish meeting requirements and rules for conducting the Network's  
14 business.

15 5. Identifying areas of service which would benefit from collaborative  
16 programming and formulate plans to implement such projects.

17 6. Prioritize, commit and direct resources for interagency projects and  
18 programs.

19 7. Develop an annual master plan for children's services to be submitted  
20 to the Board of Supervisors before July 1 of each year.

21 8. Identify critical children's issues within the County and appoint  
22 committees to study and recommend solutions.

23 9. Receive and respond to recommendations from the Network's various  
24 organizational components.

25 10. Review funding recommendations regarding child abuse neglect and  
26 prevention programs authorized by Welfare and Institutions Code sections 18962 et

1 seq. and Welfare and Institutions Code sections 18965 et seq. and make  
2 recommendations to the Board of Supervisors as may be appropriate.

3 11. Develop department protocols for all professionals involved in  
4 delivering children's services.

5 12. Recommend grant applications and projects that will benefit children  
6 to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

7 13. Recommend to the Board of Supervisors positions on legislation  
8 affecting children's issues.

9 14. Provide for Countywide interagency case management to coordinate  
10 resources, for those children and their families who require services from more than  
11 one agency.

12 15. Recommend to the Board of Supervisors requests for waivers on  
13 Title IV-E Foster Care funds, Office of Criminal Justice Planning funds, Medi-cal case  
14 management reimbursement, and other funding sources, from the State of California,  
15 as appropriate to implement interagency programs.

16 16. Provide guidance on and report to the Board of Supervisors on the  
17 effectiveness, expansion and supply of high quality, affordable child care services.

18 17. Review and recommend Healthy Support Services for Children's  
19 grant program proposals.

20 18. Review funding recommendations regarding Family Preservation and  
21 Support Programs, as continued in the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993  
22 pursuant to sections 430 to 435 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. Section 629)  
23 and Welfare and Institutions Code section 16500.7 et seq., and make  
24 recommendations to the Board of Supervisors as may be appropriate.

25 C. Executive Committee - A three-member Executive Committee will be  
26 elected by the Policy Council and approved by the Board of Supervisors. The Executive  
27 Committee members shall serve as Chairperson, First Vice-Chairperson and Second  
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1 Vice-Chairperson of the Policy Council. The primary responsibility of the Chairperson  
2 and Vice-Chairperson, acting individually, will be to preside over all Policy Council  
3 meetings and facilitate meeting discussion. The primary responsibility of the Executive  
4 Committee will be to select and generally supervise the Children's Network Officer.

5 The Executive Committee may meet as necessary to review specific activities of  
6 or issues involving the Policy Council.

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8 SECTION 4: Staffing - The Activities of the Children's Network will be  
9 administered by the Children's Network Officer and a small support staff. The  
10 Children's Network Officer shall be selected by the Children's Policy Council Executive  
11 Committee and the Assistant Administrative Officer for Social Services. For  
12 employment purposes, the Assistant Administrative Officer for Social Services shall be  
13 deemed the appointing authority for the position. The Children's Network Officer will  
14 receive direction and general supervision from the Children's Policy Council Executive  
15 Committee.

16 SECTION 5: Funding - Funding for staff and Network activities will be provided  
17 through a combination of County departmental budgets, grant funds, and outside  
18 revenue sources.

19 SECTION 6: Expense Reimbursement - Non-County employees participating in  
20 various organizational components of the Children's Network shall receive no County  
21 expense reimbursement except as may be authorized by the Board of Supervisors.

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1 PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of San Bernardino County, State  
2 of California, by the following vote:

3 AYES: SUPERVISORS: Davis, Mikels, Walker, Hansberger

4 NOES: SUPERVISORS: None

5 ABSENT: SUPERVISORS: Eaves

6 STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
7 } ss.  
8 COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO }

9 I, EARLENE SPROAT, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of San Bernardino  
10 County, California, hereby certify the foregoing to be a full, true and correct copy of the  
11 record of the action as the same appears in the Official Minutes of said Board at its  
12 meeting of May 19, 1998.

13 EARLENE SPROAT  
14 Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
15 of San Bernardino County

16 By \_\_\_\_\_

